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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter is to express support of our organization for the efforts of Recon Robotics in applying for an FCC waiver.

I am President of the Rocky Mountain Tactical Team Association, a professional group whose members are from Colorado law enforcement tactical teams. I am a full-time officer with over 30 years of experience in a large metro-Denver agency. Our organization provides training, coordination, and contacts between numerous police and sheriffs agencies that provide services throughout the state to a large population base.

The Recon Scout is a cost-affordable alternative to searching in dangerous incidents such as a barricaded gunman, hazardous environments, inaccessible locations, etc. via the safety of a remote viewer. In such instances, the Scout would need to be operational for up to several hours. Such a device would provide a significant safety margin to the tactical team, reducing casualties, reducing incident times and costs, and successful resolutions to serious situations.

Minimum operational requirements would need to be 100 feet indoors and 300 feet outdoors. Minimum acceptable runtime should be from one to two hours. Having at least four operational channels would be necessary in order to operate several Scouts simultaneously. The current size of the Scout is nearly ideal for such tactical purposes. I know of no other devices used by our teams that would receive interference from the unit.

The Recon Scout stands alone and no similar competition that can provide the mobility, versatility, and ruggedness in a cost-effective package.

The RMTTA would support an FCC waiver allowing the Recon Scout to be licensed to use the 432-448 MHz band for video transmissions of less than one watt of peak RF transmission power.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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